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Fiscal Note

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| Bill Topic: | MARKET RATE STUDY FO | MARKET RATE STUDY FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM | | |
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| Summary of Fiscal Impact: | ☐ State Revenue☑ State Expenditure☐ State Transfer | □ TABOR Refund⊠ Local Government□ Statutory Public Entity | | |
| | . . . | oill reduces the frequency of the market rate study of the Care Assistance Program. The bill decreases -22 and FY 2022-23. | | |
| Appropriation Summary: | For FY 2021-22, this bill requires a reduction in appropriations of \$55,000 to the Department of Human Services. | | | |
| Fiscal Note Status: | This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill. | | | |

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under LLS 21-0859

| | | Budget Year FY 2021-22 | Out Year FY 2022-23 |
|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Revenue | | - | - |
| Expenditures | General Fund | (\$55,000) | (\$55,000) |
| Transfers | | - | - |
| TABOR Refund | | - | - |

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Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Department of Human Services (DHS), in consultation with counties, must annually contract for a market rate study of provider rates for the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program. DHS must also provide copies of the study to the Joint Budget Committee by January of each year. This bill changes the requirement so that DHS will contract for the study and provide copies of it to the Joint Budget Committee every three years, to align with federal requirements.

State Expenditures

By changing the contracting and reporting requirement from annual to every three years, the bill decreases expenditures in the DHS by \$55,000 in FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23. Costs will next be incurred for the study in FY 2023-24.

Local Government

The bill reduces workload for counties to the extent that they will consult with DHS for the market rate study of provider rates for the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program every three years instead of annually.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

For FY 2021-22, the bill requires and includes a reduction of \$55,000 in General Fund to the Department of Human Services.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Human Services Information Technology